

BRITISH RESERVES CALLED OUT.

And Local Troops to be Raised at the Discretion of the Commander in Chief.

BARON ROBERTS TO COMMAND

In South Africa--Volunteers and Colonial Troops Are to be Accepted.

LONDON, Dec. 18.--4:45 a. m.--General Sir Charles Warren, commanding the Fifth division of the First army corps, has arrived at Cape Town. It is understood that he will proceed to Port Elizabeth.

No further news has been received regarding the battle at the Tugela river. The latest accounts regarding the battle at Magersfontein show that the retirement of the British troops was executed with the greatest coolness and order, under a heavy Boer artillery fire, on Tuesday.

The other beleaguered garrisons and positions are still holding out. It is said that if the Victoria crosses were to be granted for every act of conspicuous gallantry on the part of the British troops it would be necessary to distribute the decoration by hundreds.

LONDON, Dec. 17.--The war office today issued the following announcement: "Acting upon the advice of military authorities her majesty's government has approved the following measure:

"All the remaining portions of the army reserve, including section 'B,' are called out. The seventh division, which is being mobilized, will proceed to South Africa without delay. The commander in chief in South Africa has been authorized to continue to raise at his discretion local troops, mounted.

"Nine battalions of militia in addition to the two battalions which have already volunteered for service at Malta, and one for service in the channel islands, will be allowed to volunteer for service outside of the united kingdom, and an equivalent number of militia battalions will be embodied for service at home.

"A strong force of volunteers, selected from yeomanry regiments, will be formed for service in South Africa.

"Arrangements are being made, and will shortly be announced, for the employment in South Africa of a strong contingent of carefully selected volunteers. The patriotic offers which are being received from the colonies will so far as possible be accepted, preference being given to offers of mounted contingents."

LONDON, Dec. 17.--The war office has received the following dispatch, dated December 17, from General Forster-Walker, at Cape Town:

"Methuen reports that Lieutenant Chaudes-Po'e was taken prisoner last Thursday when going to meet a flag of truce. He was waiving his handkerchief in response and was unarmed.

"Gatacre has removed his troops and stores to Sterkstroom from Putters kraal, French has established headquarters at Arundel.

"Vaudermere, with a commando, is reported moving south from Jacobsdal."

LONDON, Dec. 17.--Shortly before midnight the following notice was posted at the war office:

"As the campaign in Natal, in the opinion of her majesty's government, is likely to require the presence and undivided attention of General Sir Redvers Buller, it has been decided to send Baron Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, as commander in chief in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as chief of staff."

"BLACK WEEK"

Has Aroused England to the Gravity of the Situation.

LONDON, Dec. 17.--"Black Week," as last week is now universally called, has evidently aroused the government and the war office to a full sense of their responsibility and the magnitude of the task before them. The papers unanimously applaud this awakening, despite the fact that they recognize that the heroic measures now decided upon savor rather of weakness than of strength.

Rumor has it that the question of expense has really been at the bottom of the half-hearted measures hitherto adopted, and it is not unlikely that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, and other members of the cabinet will resign.

It was high time that something very energetic was done. The British losses in killed, wounded, prisoners and missing throughout the campaign now represent the enormous total of 7,510. The tragic circumstances of the appointment of Lord Roberts almost simultaneously with the announcement of the death of his promising son excites the deepest public sympathy.

Lieutenant Roberts was an only son and had been his father's aide de camp since 1896. He served in Waziristan and in the Chitral and Nile expeditions. Such was his display of gallantry on Friday in an attempt to rescue the guns that he was recommended for the Victoria cross.

The London Press.

LONDON, Dec. 18.--The Times commenting on the situation, says: "Neither the Crimean war nor the Indian mutiny gave rise to greater

dangers to the empire than that with which we are now menaced, nor at either of those critical periods was Great Britain so isolated politically or regarded with such dislike and suspicion as are almost everywhere apparent. Unless the calmness which impresses the foreign observer proceeds only from apathy or a want of sufficient imagination to realize the imminent danger to the whole fabric of our empire, the great efforts now urgently required will surely be made before it is too late to retrieve the situation. We are fighting not merely for supremacy in South Africa, but our position as a great power. We know we have miscalculated the strength of our foe, and we are resolved to make that miscalculation good."

The Liberal organs forebode a serious reckoning for the government when the time comes.

The Daily Chronicle hints that General Sir William Buller, who was recalled from the Cape command because of his Boer sympathies long ago, advised the government that the prosecution of Mr. Chamberlain's policy would make heavy reinforcements for the Cape imperative.

The Daily News says: "The government's decision is either a counsel of panic or the confusion of utter miscalculation."

QUEEN VICTORIA

Will Remain at Windsor, in Touch With the Cabinet.

LONDON, Dec. 17.--The court news men have issued the following announcement:

"The arrangements made for the queen's departure from Windsor have been postponed until after Christmas, as, owing to the present state of affairs in South Africa, the queen is unwilling to be at a great distance from London."

Not for years before has the queen decided to spend Christmas away from Osborne. Her decision to remain at Windsor, in touch with the cabinet, is a measure of the gravity of the crisis and of the anxiety her majesty feels for the welfare of her country. She is nevertheless in fair health.

Saturday morning she took her usual drive and just before dinner that evening she received Lord Wolseley, who, with Major General Sir Henry Peter Ewart, crown equerry to the queen, dined at Windsor.

The queen's graceful act in presenting a flag to the American hospital ship Maine is highly appreciated by her own people, as well as by the Americans in London, and the morning papers express the hope that the incident means something more than a pretty ceremony.

BULLETINS.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 14.--Secret meetings of Boer sympathizers continue to be held in various parts of Cape Colony, and the attitude of the Dutch farmers is truculent.

STERKSTROOM, Dec. 15.--As a result of the British reverses, the whole country northward is in rebellion. The natives there as well as those in Basutoland, are said to be much disturbed, but losing heart respecting the strength of the British.

DURBAN, Dec. 15.--The Natal government Gazette announces that Gen. Buller has appointed a committee to inquire into the losses of the people of the colony resulting from the Boer invasion.

CONGRESS THIS WEEK.

Practically Nothing Will Be Done in the Senate--In the House, the Vote on the Currency Bill Will Be Taken To-day--Announcement of Committees to Follow.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.--The senate has no programme for the present week, and the indications are that short daily sessions will be held and very little business transacted. Both houses will adjourn for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday. Outside of official nominations there is practically no business on the calendar, all important matters in committee having been delayed for the reorganization of the committees effected at the close of business last week. So far no notices of speeches on any subject have been given and senators generally express themselves as disposed to postpone the real business of the session until after the recess. It is expected that the financial bill will be received from the house during the week. It will be referred to the committee on finance. This committee expects to make its report soon after the resumption of business in the new year. The real work of the session will then begin.

The two events of importance in the house this week, before the adjournment for the holiday recess on Wednesday, will be the vote on the currency bill and the reading of the journal and the announcement of the committees on Tuesday. Under the terms of the special order with reference to the currency bill neither a motion to reconsider nor a substitute proposition is in order, and the vote will be taken directly upon the passage of the bill. The result in the foregone conclusion, as it will command every Republican vote. The interest in the vote, therefore, lies only in the record of Democratic defection it will show. The eastern Democrats generally, with the exception of a few from New York, are not in line with their Democratic brethren from the south, but not all of them will vote for the bill. According to a careful canvass made by Mr. Overstreet, of Indiana, who has been in charge of the measure, it will receive eight Democratic votes at least, and he believes seven Democrats will dodge. He figures that the bill will have a majority of thirty-five. So far as can be ascertained no other business will be transacted by the house this week.

Three Children Burned to Death.

NICHOLASVILLE, Ky., Dec. 17.--Three small children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Reynolds, aged six, three and one years, respectively, were burned to death to-day. They had been playing in the house while Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds were on a visit to a neighbor. The parents returned in time to see the house collapse.

SLIPPERY AGUINALDO DISGUISED

And With Five Hundred Men and Several of His Generals

ON THE ROAD TO SALSONA.

Captain McCalla, of the Cruiser Newark, Has Occupied Claveria and Pantelona.

MANILA, Dec. 17.--10:45 p. m.--The following dispatch, dated December 15, has been received from a correspondent of the Associated Press at Laoag, province of North Ilocos:

"Natives at Manitong, province of North Ilocos, report that Aguinaldo is disguised, and accompanied by several of his generals, left Manitong last Saturday with five hundred men, going in the direction of Salsona, from which point he intended to proceed to Cabaogan, province of Cagayan.

"An insurgent major, claiming to be in command of 100 Filipinos, who have been guarding twenty-three American prisoners at Cabaogan, surrendered. He wrote his captains to deliver the prisoners to General Young.

"General Young's command is now divided into six or seven parties who are operating in the mountains about Laoag. Several parties are hunting for General Tino.

"Major Swigert, with a detachment of the Third cavalry, had an engagement with 120 insurgents near Dingras. Two Americans were killed and two wounded. Several Filipinos were killed.

"Captain McCalla, of the United States cruiser Newark, has occupied Claveria and Pantelona. The Filipinos surrendered 1,000 rifles."

BIG ADVANCE.

In Freight Rates on All Necessary Commodities on All Roads East of Chicago--From 25 to 50 Per Cent. Shippers Will Appeal to the Courts.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.--The Chronicle tomorrow will say:

One of the most radical and general advances ever made in freight rates will go into effect on all the railroads east and west of Chicago, January 1. Thousands of articles of every day consumption will be affected and the increase will average 25 and 40 per cent, the jump on many classes reaching 50 per cent. The contemplated action of the railroad officials has aroused the shipping interests of the country and vigorous protests are being made against the sweeping rise.

The shippers say that if the carrying charges are increased to the extent announced by the railroads, it will have the effect of increasing retail prices in every line of trade. Sugar, soap, coffee, flour, coal and farm implements are a few of the articles to be affected. On these as well as on five hundred articles, the increase will run from 25 to 40 per cent. The rate on coal, for example, west of Chicago, will be pushed up twenty-five cents on the ton. Rates on cattle will be advanced to twenty-eight cents per 100 pounds, and hogs and sheep will go up from twenty-five to thirty cents, and dressed meat to forty cents per 100 pounds. Hay is an article that will feel the advance severely. The tariff on this well be increased \$1.10 per ton.

On the roads east of Chicago the increase in rates will be accomplished by changing the class under which the articles affected are shipped. This will be done by taking the items out of what are known as commodity classes and putting them in the "classes." The roads east of Chicago will do most of the rate advancing.

Chicago shippers are circulating petitions, asking the railroads to defer the increase until April 1, to enable them to catch up on their orders. Should the railroad officers refuse dire results to manufacturers and wholesalers will, it is claimed, be the consequence.

Shippers in several jobbing centers talk of appealing to the judiciary to prevent what they term the arbitrary action of the railroads.

Officers of the railroads, in defense of their rate-increasing action, declare that the advances are made necessary by the increased cost of everything they are compelled to buy, from diesel engines. They further aver that there is no reason why the railroads should continue to quote panic rates while merchants, manufacturers and others are advancing prices.

NONCONFORMITY

Prosecution Don't Go as in the Days of Laud.

LONDON, Dec. 17.--The Most Rev. William Dalrymple MacLagan, archbishop of York, in a pastoral letter regarding the ritual, says:

"It has been widely stated that the bishops have determined to prosecute clergy who do not conform. These rumors are without the slightest authority. We do not believe that a single bishop has thought of such a step. But, although the bishops themselves may abstain from prosecution, it is not likely that they would place any impediment in the way of others desiring to take steps. Those clergy, who are in an anomalous position, are little more than a handful."

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD

Buying Up Steamship Lines to Get Control of Eastern Shore Lines.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.--Negotiations are pending for the purchase of the Wheeler line of steamers. "New York parties" are said to be the prospective buyers of this company, which operates a line of steamers between New York and Baltimore.

The Pennsylvania railroad, which has lately acquired the Baltimore, Chesapeake & Atlantic railroad property, and the steamboats of that company, is preparing to consummate a deal for other companies, thereby giving it the absolute control of all the eastern shore lines.

GOVERNOR ATKINSON DENIES

That He Criticized One of the West Virginia Commissioners to the Philadelphia Export Exposition.

Confusion of Names. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 17.--Governor Atkinson has written E. Tracy Tobin, of Philadelphia, who represented West Virginia as commissioner to the Philadelphia Export Exposition and International Congress, a letter, denying that he made certain criticisms, which have been published, to the effect that he had been imposed on by Tobin, whom he appointed at the latter's request on the recommendation of others. At the same time he wrote a letter to Tobin's brother, F. Tracy Tobin, explaining an amusing complication which has grown out of a confusion of E. Tracy with F. Tracy. The Tobins are brothers, who practice law together in Philadelphia. When the alleged criticisms made by Governor Atkinson of E. Tracy were published they made it appear that F. Tracy was the commissioner, and F. Tracy, who was not the commissioner, became the victim of unmerciful roasts in the Philadelphia papers. Both brothers therefore wrote to Governor Atkinson, E. Tracy for information as to whether the governor had really made any such statement as that alleged to have been made by him, and F. Tracy for a formal statement that E. Tracy and not F. Tracy was the accredited commissioner from West Virginia.

In his reply to F. Tracy the governor says, referring to the alleged interview criticizing E. Tracy that it "is wholly false so far as it applies to me. I care not what West Virginia senators or representatives may say relative to my appointing Mr. Tobin because he was not a resident of the state. I made the appointment on my own responsibility and without consulting them in any shape or form."

In his letter to E. Tracy Tobin, the governor commends him for his energy and ability, and denies that he was ever in any way dissatisfied with what he did as a representative from this state. "On the contrary," he adds, "I have stated to newspaper men in West Virginia what you were doing here rendered to our state. I say that you and Mr. E. S. Hutchinson were the only two representatives out of the ten that I appointed who paid any attention to their duty whatever, although all of them are very prominent citizens of West Virginia, and are large employers of labor. If I had had one or two more persons as efficient as you and Mr. Hutchinson, West Virginia would have made quite a display at that congress and exposition."

The occasion of the criticism of Tobin by the Philadelphia papers was a report he made to Governor Atkinson, criticizing the exposition. It was alleged that Governor Atkinson made then the statement in Washington to West Virginia senators and congressmen that he had been imposed on by Tobin. This the governor, as seen, emphatically denies.

HINTON HORRORS.

Postmaster Falls Dead--Engineer Killed--Head and Arm Severed. Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

HINTON, W. Va., Dec. 17.--B. F. Hall, postmaster at Meadow Creek, fifteen miles west of here, fell dead yesterday evening, in the postoffice. He is well known over the state and was a staunch Republican.

Engineer James Matterson was killed at Quinnemont this morning in a peculiar way. He was oiling his engine, which was on the side track, while another freight train was passing. One of the passing cars broke down and fell over against his engine, mashing his head, killing him instantly. He was very popular and died with his oil can in his hand.

George Richmond, aged eleven, was killed at Meadow Creek, while attempting to board a freight train last night. His head and arm was severed.

BIG FACTORY BUILDING

Flames--Fifty Horses Burned to Death.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.--Fire started suddenly at 12:40 o'clock this morning in a big factory building at 655 and 657 First avenue, occupied by a wire factory, a cigar manufacturing firm, a firm of machinists and by other businesses. The flames spread with great rapidity, and within a few moments it was apparent that it would be impossible to save the building, and every effort of the firemen was devoted to an attempt to save the surrounding tenements.

There was a terrific panic in many of these tenements, and the avenue in a few moments was almost blocked with half naked people, who had tumbled out of the ramshackle buildings with wild cries of fright.

The flames shot from the cellar to the roof of the factory building, and lit up the neighborhood for blocks around. The basement of the building was occupied as a livery stable by Michael Kieley. There were fifty horses in the place, and despite the efforts to save them, all were burned to death.

The second floor was occupied by A. McIntire, manufacturer of mattresses. The third floor was occupied by Challen, Helen & Company, manufacturers of wire and wire supplies.

The fifth and sixth floors were occupied by Emil Ney, manufacturer of cigars. It is believed that all the people were got out in safety, although several of the children were rescued unconscious from the smoke. The loss will amount to about \$75,000. At 2 o'clock the fire was under control.

FEARFUL POWDER EXPLOSION

At Alliance Postoffice, Ky.--Father and Four Children Killed.

LOUISA, Ky., Dec. 17.--At Alliance Postoffice, Floyd county, Nelson Hamilton was pouring out some powder from a keg when his four-year-old son picked up a small amount and tossed it into the fire. The explosion threw some embers into the pile of powder and a terrific explosion followed. The father and little son and two older children who were in the room were knocked insensible. The ceiling was lifted from its place, the walls spread and the upper part of the house came down and stopped about half way on the walls, thus fastening all the doors securely. When the oldest daughter regained consciousness sufficiently to realize that the house was in flames, she tried to open a door, but at once saw the hopelessness of such an effort and began to scream for help. A neighbor arrived in time to burst in a door and get the tortured prisoners out, but they were badly burned that all died within a few hours.

UNBOUNDED EXCITEMENT IN DUBLIN.

Pro-Boer Meeting Addressed by Davitt, Redmond and Maud Gonne.

"THE IRISH JOAN OF ARC."

The Boer Flag Defiantly Waved at Dublin Castle and Seized by the Police.

DUBLIN, Dec. 17.--The announcement that a pro-Boer meeting would be convened to-day as a protest against the proposal of Trinity college to confer a degree upon Joseph Chamberlain, led to exciting scenes. A large force of police was called out and the troops were held in readiness.

Maud Gonne, the so-called "Irish Joan of Arc," and James Connolly, the Irish Republican, drove in a wagonette to the place appointed for the meeting, which was attended by a large crowd. Mr. Connolly tried to speak, but was prevented by the police. The wagonette then made a tour of the streets, the crowd rapidly increasing, cheering for the Boers, singing "God Save Ireland" and "We'll Hang Joe Chamberlain on a Sour Apple Tree," and using disgusting expressions against the queen, the empire and the army.

While passing Dublin castle the occupants of the wagonette waved the Transvaal flag triumphantly, whereupon the police stopped the vehicle and seized the flag.

The wagonette, attended by a large body of police, who often cleared the streets, then drove to the rooms of the Irish Transvaal committee, where Michael Davitt and Wm. E. Redmond were waiting. A meeting of about sixty persons was held, Messrs. Davitt, Redmond and O'Brien speaking in violent condemnation of the war and of Mr. Chamberlain, and declaring that the latter's visit to Ireland at such a moment was proof of his callous nature. The speakers urged that, should an opportunity occur, Dublinites ought to show their detestation of the colonial secretary in unmistakable fashion.

Mr. Davitt said: "All Irishmen rejoice in the triumphs of the Boers. No power in Europe would now fear Great Britain, except perhaps the Prince of Monaco."

Mr. Redmond said: "Mr. Chamberlain deserves no doctors, but executioners."

Ultimately a resolution, proposed by Mr. Davitt, was carried, denouncing the war and calling upon the powers, particularly the United States, to take steps to insure the independence of the Boer republic. While Maud Gonne was speaking somebody shouted a reference to the Phoenix park murders. The chairman and Mr. Davitt warmly protested, however, that no violence should be done. The meeting closed amid tremendous cheers evoked by a rumor that Lady Smith had fallen.

Maud Gonne and Mr. Connolly drove off with the intention of holding open-air meetings, but the police arrested Mr. Connolly.

PORTO RICO ELECTIONS.

Republicans Carry Ponce by About 1,700 Majority.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Dec. 17.--The elections in Porto Rico are progressing slowly. The Republicans carried Ponce on December 9, by about 1,700 majority.

According to the census of 1897 there are over 45,000 people in the Ponce district, but of that number only 4,466 are eligible to vote, the right of suffrage being limited to the taxpayers and professional men, about 4,400 of that number going to the polls. The Republicans claim that San Juan will give them a tremendous majority, and that the election throughout the island will result in an overwhelming federal defeat.

The elections will last for at least two months more, there being still over forty-five towns to vote.

The people are looking forward anxiously to the action of Congress on the question of civil government. Many expect that Porto Rico will be immediately given a system of government entirely by the people of the island, while others take a more conservative view of the subject.

The Bulletin Mercantil, commenting on December 9, on the subject, says: "The form of civil government for Porto Rico will undoubtedly be the one recommended by President McKinley in his annual message to Congress, and with the exception of the highest office, the appointees for which place is not known yet, the appointments will be distributed among the most capable people, and from the recommendations of the President, it is evident that he believes in the adoption of a prudent, cautious and deliberate policy in determining the future government of the island."

This does not impede, but on the contrary will tend to encourage the efforts of the country toward securing a broader and more liberal form of government and will accelerate the accomplishments of the desires of the people."

FEDERATION DELEGATES

Enjoy a Sunday Trolley Ride With Union Motormen.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 17.--Delegates to the American Federation of Labor spent Sunday quietly for the most part. This afternoon the two hundred men were photographed in a group in front of the city hall. The delegates enjoyed a long trolley ride over most of the city lines as guests of the Detroit street railway companies. President Mahan, of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, who piloted the crowd, took great pleasure in informing the visitors that the roads are operated exclusively by union men, under agreement with their employers, which provides for fair wages, reasonable treatment and arbitration of all difficulties.

able treatment and arbitration of all difficulties. Aside from some committee conferences, nothing important developed to-day. It is believed that the convention will consider reports from the grievance committee in executive session to-morrow.

WRECK ON LAKE SUPERIOR

Whaleback Barge Hundred and Fifteen, with a Crew of Nine Men, Lost in the Great Storm on Wednesday--Three Thousand Tons of Iron Ore Went to the Bottom.

CHICAGO, Dec. 17.--A dispatch from Sault Ste Marie, Mich., to the Lake Shore News says:

"Whaleback Barge Hundred and Fifteen, which has been missing on Lake Superior since Wednesday last, was today given up for lost, with her crew of nine men. The only names known of the lost are Captain Arthur Royce, Mate Michael Stynop, Cook William Buckner.

The steamer Colgate Hoyt, which had the lost barge in tow, gave up the search for her to-day, and passed down through the locks, bound for Lake Erie. The tug Vigilant, which was also searching for the Hundred and Fifteen, likewise gave it up. While it is likely that the whaleback company will send out its own steamers from Duluth in a further search, the crew of the Hoyt have doubt that the barge went down in the great storm of Wednesday.

"After starting out of the head of Lake Superior," said the captain of the Colgate Hoyt, "we ran into a furious cold northeast gale. For forty hours we bucked into the seas, and finally we succeeded in getting within ten miles of Pick Island, where we got into comparatively smooth water, the wind being off shore. I then changed my course to the southward, running parallel with the shore, in order to keep under its protection. I had been on this course for about an hour, when, on Wednesday morning, I went into breakfast I saw the lights on the barge all right. Five minutes later I was told that the tow line had parted, and Hundred and Fifteen was drifting out into the lake. I immediately put the Hoyt about, and for four hours I zigzagged back and forth over the course of the barge. I kept up the search all day, when I run down to the Whittier Point. There I met Captain Smith, agent of the whaleback fleet at the So, who was on the tug Vigilant. The two of us then joined in the search. We kept at it until the weather proved too much for us, when we came back, fearing we might be caught out on Lake Superior in a heavy snow storm. We had only forty tons of coal, and were in danger of running out of fuel."

During the gale on Tuesday, when the Hoyt was pulling the barge into the great northeast storm, the crew could see the men on the barge pumping water that was colored with iron ore. This would have indicated that something was wrong, but no distress signal was displayed on the barge, and it was thought all was well, particularly after the boats had run into smooth water. However, after breaking away from the Hoyt, the Hundred and Fifteen went down cannot be guessed. The life boat and everything on the deck of the barge was either washed away or frozen so tight to the deck that it could not be moved.

The lost vessel carried about 3,000 tons of iron ore, and was valued at about \$50,000.

Flag Lieutenant Brumby Dead.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.--Lieut. T. M. Brumby, flag lieutenant to Admiral Dewey during the Manila campaign, who has been ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, died at Garfield hospital shortly after 6 o'clock this evening.

The death of Lieutenant Brumby, while not unexpected, was a great shock to Admiral Dewey. The relations of the two men for several years past have been very intimate, and a strong friendship had grown up between them. Lieutenant Brumby went out to the Asiatic station with the admiral and had been there with him until they both returned to the United States several months ago. In his capacity as flag lieutenant to the admiral, Lieutenant Brumby was practically all the time, and acted as his personal representative in many matters of detail delegated to him by the commanding officer.

Lieutenant Brumby was forty-four years of age and unmarried. Nothing definite has been decided concerning the funeral except that the body will be taken to Chicago for interment, leaving here to-morrow night, for Atlanta. It is entirely improbable that Admiral Dewey will accompany the remains, but he will designate his secretary, Lieutenant H. H. Caldwell, to perform that duty.

Manager of National Steel Co. Dead.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Dec. 17.--James W. Reis, general manager of the National Steel Company, died at his home to-day, aged about thirty-five years, the cause of death being typhoid fever, from which he had been suffering for some weeks. He was a brother of William E. Reis, president of the National steel trust. He was looked upon as one of the most promising of the young steel manufacturers of the country.

Ex-Lieut.-Gov. Marquis Dead.

BELEFONTE, Ohio, Dec. 17.--Hon. William Vance Marquis, who was lieutenant governor of Ohio under the Campbell administration, died suddenly to-day of heart trouble.

Castro Recognized by Spain.

MADRID, Dec. 17.--The Spanish government has formally recognized Gen. Cipriano Castro as president of Venezuela.

Annex of Orphan Asylum Burned.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.--Fire completely destroyed the school annex building of St. Michael's orphan asylum, on Plus street, South Side, to-night. Loss, \$80,000. Insurance, \$50,000.

Fearful Storm on East African Coast.

MOZAMBIQUE, Portuguese East Africa, Dec. 17.--The island was swept today by a terrific cyclone, which did immense damage, destroying many houses in Mozambique.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

West Virginia--Fair Monday and Tuesday; southerly winds. Western Pennsylvania and Ohio--Generally fair Monday and Tuesday; fresh southerly winds.

Local Temperature.

The temperature Saturday, as observed by C. Schnepf, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets, was as follows: 7 a. m. 27 1/2 p. m. 33 12 m. 25 5/8 p. m. 33 Sunday. 7 a. m. 28 2 p. m. 30 9 a. m. 29 7 p. m. 34 12 m. 26 Weather clear.